

Richard Chesteen

discusses his resignation as local AAUP president

By AARON HUGHEY
Editor

Richard Chesteen, associate professor of political science at UTM, recently announced that he will resign as president of the local chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) effective at the end of Fall Quarter.

In a recent interview with *The Pacer*, Chesteen discussed some of the reasons for his resignation as well as the relationship which he feels should exist between the AAUP and the UTM Administration.

"I feel that with a new Chancellor coming to UTM next quarter it would be an excellent time for a clean slate to exist between the AAUP and the Administration," Chesteen stated.

"I feel that the education complaint absorbed a great deal of time and eventually resulted in a rather strained

relationship between certain AAUP members and certain administrators," Chesteen continued. "The suit was emotionally draining to me as an individual and to various others as well."

Chesteen then went on to say that he believes everyone who was a part of that dispute would like to put the entire matter behind them. He also felt that many important tasks were not given the attention that they deserved due to the education complaint.

"My disappointment in terms of this past year has been that the commitment to AAUP principles expressed certain administrators was apparently not as deep as they said it was," Chesteen said. "Also, I was a bit surprised at how important it seemed to them to have a controlled environment."

Chesteen also expressed concern over the fact that there was evidently a preconceived view on the part of

the administration that the AAUP would not be able to come up with a fair solution for the complaint.

"The final report on the matter does not take a strong condemnatory position nor does it give any justification to either side," Chesteen explained. "It did, however, lead to various recommendations that the administration would do well to give serious consideration."

There has been no official response to the report by the administration as of yet, Chesteen added.

Turning his attention to matters of a more general nature, Chesteen then talked about the manner in which the AAUP and the administration should work together in problem solving.

"I see a number of issues on the school agenda in which the relationship between the administrators and the faculty representative groups, be they the TEA, the AAUP or the AFT, will be at least mildly

adversative, and where a strategy of co-opting organizational leadership will not succeed," Chesteen stated. "I personally see nothing inherently unhealthy about a heightened awareness of administrative and faculty differences."

Chesteen followed up this line of reasoning by saying that it is much better if these differences can be anticipated and mutually resolved rather than waiting until a situation develops where feelings have become hardened and embittered.

"I don't think that the traditional committee structure and the academic senate are always going to be adequate mechanisms for dealing with broad-based faculty concerns," Chesteen said.

Chesteen then reflected upon his experiences at the state AAUP conference from which he has just recently returned.

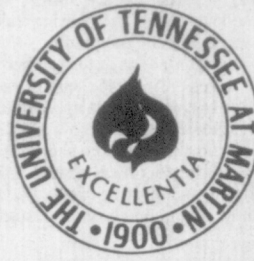
"There is a heightened awareness on the part of many faculty members as a result of the circumstances surrounding the George Peabody-Vanderbilt merger," Chesteen explained. "If many of these circumstances are allowed to go unchallenged they could have dangerous implications for faculty in Tennessee and elsewhere."

Other matters which could pose potential problems for faculty members in the future include the serious decline in the tax revenues for Tennessee and the possibility of sizeable funding reductions to TSU because of declining enrollment following the merger, Chesteen pointed out.

"Many of these matters will have increasing significance for faculty and students both as time progresses," Chesteen concluded. "The union aspect and the issue concerning collective bargaining will undoubtedly be more consequential and relevant within the next few years than they are at this time."



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Fire alarm suspect arrested

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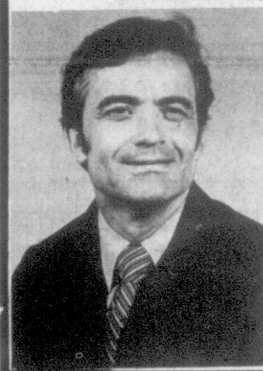
resident, was arrested Monday night and charged with Section 10-217 under false

emergency alarms by Officer Roland Person of Safety and Security.

day's false fire alarm in McCord Hall.

all of the students involved may be suspended from school. Court date has been set for Nov. 13 in Martin City Hall.

Loebbaka slated for 'Physics' talk



The Phi Kappa Phi honor society of the University of Tennessee at Martin is presenting its annual lecture on October 25 at 7 p.m. in the Campbell Lecture Hall of the Humanities Building.

This year's lecture is entitled "Physics Is a Liberal Art" and will be delivered by Dr. David Loebbaka, professor of physics at UTM.

"There has been an outbreak of false fire alarms on campus this quarter," stated Ted Council, head of Safety and Security, in an interview last week.

"If a student is caught by our department, that student will be arrested..." Council also stated that "if found guilty, the person may be sentenced to a \$50 fine and court costs."

According to police reports, more than one person may have been involved in Mon-

Language for sale

The department of modern foreign languages will hold a sale Monday, Oct. 29 through Friday, Nov. 2, of used French, Spanish, German and other texts, and magazines and newspapers.

Prices for the articles will be

75 cents for hard-cover books, 50 cents for paperbacks, 20 cents for magazines and 10 cents for newspapers.

All proceeds will go to the modern foreign languages department scholarship award fund.

Enrollment correction

Fall Quarter total enrollment is 5,190, the largest headcount enrollment in UTM's history. The second largest enrollment was in the fall of 1975 with 5,189 students enrolled.

The 1979 undergraduate enrollment is 4,705. Last year's Fall Quarter enrollment was 4,626.

The 1979 graduate and post-baccalaureate enrollment is 485, compared with 499 enrolled during the Fall Quarter of 1978.

First-time freshman enrollment is 1,158, not the largest entering class but certainly one of the largest with a 21 percent increase over the 1978 Fall Quarter.

The statistics quoted in a previous article and released by the Office of Information Services was based on information available on Oct. 1

List of vacancies recently published

By NICKI H. DILL
Student Writer

The Personnel Office and Affirmative Action Officer, Martha Battle, have published a list of active searches for faculty and administrative-professional positions on the UTM campus.

Searches at this time include Chancellor, Bursar, Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and Dean of the School of Nursing.

Other faculty positions in various departments across campus are vacant.

"We are publishing this list

in hopes of getting information to faculty members so they can apply for the positions," said Battle.

All positions are being advertised nationally in the "Chronicle of Higher Education," according to Battle.

"Information about the positions is also being sent directly to minority and women's colleges," she continued.

Anyone desiring more information about any of the positions may contact either the Personnel Office or Battle.



Catch?

And who said people can't fly? It looks like these guys are trying to fly after the football with their companions attempting to catch up. Actually, these UTM men are participating in an Intramural football match.



Miss Essence

Cheryl Sykes wears a "Beautiful Expression" on her face and as a result is crowned Miss Essence at Tuesday night's pageant. Janice Johnson (left) and Toni VanBuren (right) received the titles of first and second alternates.

Lichtenstein circus

By BILL ROGERS
Editorial Page Editor

One of the World's smallest circuses is bringing its clowns, comedy, music and magic to the University of Tennessee at Martin for performance Friday, Oct. 26.

The Royal Lichtenstein Quarter-Ring Sidewalk circus is a fast moving potpourri of narrated-mime fairytales, magic, circus skills, comedy and a mini-menagerie to provide entertainment for all members of the family, said Bob Neilson, UTM director of recreational sports.

The one-hour sidewalk circus outside the University Center begins at noon and

features two musical mime fables. "Kari" is an ancient Asian legend about the adventures of a beautiful bird as it learns to live graciously with the rest of society. "The Miser's Dream" is a comedy demonstrating the difference between having and enjoying.

The circus' UTM visit is sponsored by the department of recreational sports and will feature 15 new acts, including a tight-wire act, comedy unicycling, eccentric juggling and an animal act.

Admission to the one-ring circus performance is free and open to the public. The event is co-sponsored by the SGA, IFC, and Rec. Sports.



'Pull Harder!'

The Phi Sigma Kappas attempt to pull the rope out of the hands of the Kappa Alphas at the IFC Rope Pull which started on Oct. 23. These guys are not tired, they are sweating with fear and trepidation at being dragged into the muddy pit.

Complete stop demanded

By DOROTHY BOCK
Special Assignments Editor

All drivers have to come to a complete stop when meeting a stopped school bus, according to the Tennessee traffic laws.

There is no median on the four-lane highway in front of Gooch Hall and there has been

a problem with a large percentage of UT Martin students passing the bus when it is stopped, according to Andrew Boane, school bus driver.

"I'm not saying all the drivers passing the stopped bus are college students but a large number of them are, and they may not realize it but

passing a school bus in not in motion is against the law and calls for a high penalty. Each citation costs \$50 plus court costs. This is a lot of money but if a child gets hurt or killed it could be a lot worse," said Boane.

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UT system receives over \$10 million during Fiscal 1979

The University of Tennessee received more than \$10 million in private gifts in Fiscal Year 1979, members of the UT Development Council were told Friday.

Statewide total for all campuses and units in the year ending June 30 was \$10,375,042. This is the second highest one-year figure in the history of UT's development program, exceeded only by last year's over \$11 million.

Included in the latest total is the largest amount of corporate gifts in one year, almost \$2.2 million.

The 1979 total represents funds actually received during the year from individuals, corporations, foundations and organizations.

It does not include pledges of future gifts, research grants and contracts, gifts to the UT Knoxville athletics program, or income generated by endowments of the University of Chattanooga Foundation and UT.

Alma Reagan, Development Council chairman, announced the 1979 figure at the opening business session of the group's fall meeting.

"Private funds raised for UT programs since the Development Council was formed in 1955 now total \$92 million," Reagan said. "The total for the decade of the 1970s is \$557 million."

Breakdown of the 1979 gifts by campuses and statewide units is as follows: UT Knoxville, \$5.02 million; UT Center for the Health Sciences, Memphis, \$2.1 million; UT Chattanooga, \$1.4 million; UT Martin, \$323,591; Institute of Agriculture, \$415,632; UT Nashville, \$43,150; and UT-CHS, Knoxville, \$56,597.

Reagan said the statewide breakdown by gift categories was as follows:

- \$1.5 million from the Annual Giving of the National Alumni Association.
- \$3.4 million is special gifts, including large one-time gifts, gifts from foundations and gifts in kind.
- \$3.3 million in deferred giving through wills, trusts and insurance agreements.
- \$2.2 million from businesses and corporations.

There were 25,417 contributions from individuals, businesses, foundations and organizations, Reagan told Development Council members.

UT President Edward J. Boling praised the Development Council for its leadership in providing funds for scholarships, faculty salary supplements, distinguished professorships, library materials, instructional equipment, and other special programs which would not be possible with state appropriations.

Boling noted that less than 40 percent of UT's revenues annually come from state appropriations and that the remainder is from other sources.

"The work of the Development Council and the generosity of thousands of persons and organizations are vital in helping UT provide programs needed if a university is to be outstanding," he said.

PACER INSIGHT

Students deserve respect

The Pacer feels that the quality of service provided by the various administrative offices at UTM is not what it should be considering the amount of money each student pays each quarter to continue his-her education at UTM.

A general complaint among students is that the employees of the Business Affairs office many times do not have up-to-the-minute records concerning such things as payment of food service bills. Bills which may have been paid by mail as much as a week earlier are sometimes still not posted. This can cause all kinds of problems especially around registration and pre-payment time each quarter. Day-to-day computer printouts, if not already utilized by the office, would be of tremendous value in insuring fast and easy posting of student payments.

Another complaint among upper classmen is that it takes entirely too long to receive senior standing once it has been applied for. In a lot of cases, students need to know right away which courses they need to take in order to graduate. The Registrar's office should take this into greater consideration and get the senior standing forms back to the students within

three or four days after they have been sought. Also, some students have expressed concern over the attitude of many employees of the various offices. As many like to put it, they act like they just don't care. Such an attitude is disgusting and totally unwarranted at an institution such as UTM. The students must always come first and foremost in the minds of the administrators and their assistants. We are the only reason they get paid and we should not be treated as merely numbers in some book. Students are human beings and have every right to be treated with as much courtesy as the Chancellor himself.

Finally, The Pacer would like to point out that there are many good and tremendously devoted personnel in administrative positions. As is the case everywhere, the minority seems to always give the majority a bad reputation needlessly. It is in this light that The Pacer encourages the truly efficient administrative employees to help get the remaining faction of personnel into responsible shape from which everyone will benefit. We want a friendly campus in which to attain our education. Help us out.

Political awareness urged

The Pacer would like to acknowledge and express its support for the efforts of organizations who are responsible for arranging the visits of prominent political leaders.

In recent weeks, the UTM campus has been the site of visits of both the chairman of the state Republican Party and a Republican candidate for President. These events are important for they illustrate the importance that college students have in the voting population. Politicians are already beginning to capitalize on the initiative and vigor that students can devote to a political campaign.

With the upcoming Presidential election in 1980, candidates and party leaders are presently laying the groundwork that they will be relying on for results in the future.

In addition to the scholastic endeavors and extra-curricular activities UTM students traditionally participate in, the time presently upon us is a good one to expand our interests into the realm of national affairs. The Presidential campaign is of the ultimate national interest and, through the visits of political figures, UTM students can readily take part in this fundamental process of

American government.

We should take advantage of the programs presented by UTM campus organizations in order to prepare ourselves to function as responsible voters in 1980. It is vital that everyone over 18 cast his vote knowledgeably and not through ignorance or misinformation. Like all other Americans, we must live with the choice of the majority, but we can determine who the majority wants for President.

The Pacer salutes the organizations who are attempting to educate the student body, and we hope for more lectures of a political nature. With many students voting for the first time, special attention should be given to assure that everyone has been exposed to an ample amount of education from the actual figures in the political limelight.

The students of UTM should be pleased that they are already being looked upon as conscientious voters in the next election. It is definitely encouraging to be given the opportunity to hear and ask questions of candidates for the nation's highest office.

Our voice is already being listened to and we must remember to use this voice in November, 1980.

Support Homecoming '79

Homecoming Weekend should provide the UTM student population with many worthwhile and interesting recreational activities to keep even the most diehard "suitcase student" in Martin this weekend.

A "suitcase student" is one that lives on campus during the week and returns home weekend after weekend. In many cases, vast migration such as this can be justified, but this weekend promises to be the exception to this undisputed UTM tradition. A number of activities have been scheduled which should appeal to almost everyone, student and non-student alike.

Although Homecoming activities officially began Monday afternoon, tonight's activities should set the mood for this weekend. Tonight's "Fall Niter," sponsored by Recreational Sports, SGA and the UTM cheerleaders, will feature a variety of activities. "Fall Niter" begins at 3:30 p.m. with a cross-country run followed by such events as over-the-line softball, a cookout, the annual pyramid building contest and of course, the traditional Homecoming bonfire. Everyone is urged and encouraged to participate in these activities. The Royal Lichtenstein Circus will perform in front of the University Center at noon on Friday. "The World's Smallest Circus" will offer a variety of traditional and contemporary circus acts as well as animals, music and comedy. The circus is sponsored by Recreational Sports, SGA and IFC.

Saturday promises a "Roaring Good Time" for students, faculty, staff and alumni when Homecoming '79 culminates this week's events. The festivities begin Saturday morning with the judging of student displays on campus and the annual Homecoming parade down University and Lindell Streets at 10 a.m. This year's parade theme is "Have A Roaring Good Time in '79: Join The Pacer Safari." The Homecoming game will begin at 2 p.m. with the Pacer's going against North Alabama in what should provide prove to be an interesting and exciting game. Student support is vital as it may prove to play a crucial role in who wins the game. After Saturday's game, there will be an SGA-sponsored Homecoming Disco at the OZ to celebrate an anticipated gridiron victory.

A lot of planning and hard work on the parts of many people have gone into making Homecoming '79 a success. The work of Alumni Affairs, UAC, SGA, IFC, Recreational Sports and other campus organizations, to name a few, deserve a lot of credit and thanks on their diligence and cooperation in attempting to make Homecoming '79 a huge success. True success, however, depends on the student body. Don't pack that suitcase! Stay at UTM and enjoy all the activities planned for your enjoyment. Without the support and active participation of everyone, Homecoming '79 may prove to be just another boring weekend.



Nuclear energy...

...two views

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Without the continued development of nuclear power as our nation's foremost energy resource, the United States is destined to undergo a radical change in its entire social structure which will have devastating effects upon almost every aspect of the so-called "American way of life."

Harnessing nuclear energy has undoubtedly been man's greatest accomplishment. With the splitting of the atom society has entered into an age of relatively limitless potentiality. Countless advances in many important areas of research can be directly correlated with sophisticated nuclear technology which has been made possible through painstaking scientific experimentation during the past forty years. To deny modern man his rightful heritage would be to do him a grave moral injustice from which he could never fully recover. Calling a halt to the further development of nuclear power would be to make just such a denial.

As with the influential discoveries of any age, however, man has found a destructive use for something which has the potential of bringing about many beneficial social changes. The arms race serves to illustrate this fact in a most explicit manner. But we must not let ourselves be fooled into believing that the negative

aspects of nuclear power outweigh the positive ones. Wherever there is the chance for progress to occur there also exists the element of risk. If we are to retain our identity as a people we must be willing to accept such risks with the optimistic attitude that has always been characteristic of our nation as a whole.

Our culture has now evolved to the point where we can no longer afford to ignore the most valuable and prevalent sources of energy known. Solar technology is presently far too primitive to be of any substantial merit in the twentieth century. Geophysical energy sources are in a similar state of exploration. Fossil fuels have also had their day and now it's time to take the only logical step toward a more energy efficient tomorrow. We need nuclear power if we are to survive - it's as simple as that.

The world population is too large and the energy demands are too great to warrant any other answer to the dilemma which we find ourselves forced to face. Sure, as stated earlier the risks are there and the potential for disaster is substantial. But what else can we do? He who hesitates is lost, especially in the fast-moving society which we have built for ourselves. Personally, I don't know the first thing about driving a horse and buggy. And I don't have any desire to learn either.

AARON HUGHEY

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"Nuclear power."

As America becomes more involved with the use of nuclear power, these words take on increasingly more horrifying connotations. We are constantly being told that, while some of the steps in the production of nuclear power are shrouded in mystery, we are doing the best we can with what we have to work. What we are then given to work with is nuclear energy, instead of the countless alternative sources available and infinitely more safe.

One cannot help but question the fact that the people who are so anxious to develop nuclear power plants throughout the country are, for some reason, strangely reluctant to develop solar energy, a cleaner coal for burning, or any other frequently mentioned but currently unavailable sources of energy.

Overall, it appears that the profit motive could well be the main incentive in the call for nuclear power. It is therefore only logical to speculate that this motive is far more strong than the willingness to take the time to assure that the utmost safety can be obtained.

The cost of developing alternate sources of energy is considered the primary reason that these plans are being pushed into the background in favor of the nuclear route. A concerned individual must then ask if the cost is really prohibitive or if

FEEDBACK

Editorial praised

To The Pacer:

I want to express my appreciation to The Pacer staff for the timely editorial regarding the problem of false alarms in the residence halls.

I regret that students and staff have been inconvenienced and irritated by the thoughtless acts of certain pranksters.

Your editorial was presented in a responsible, thought-provoking manner and I hope it hastens the cessation of these senseless pranks.

UTM is not the place for such irresponsible persons. Phillip W. Watkins, Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Life

Thumbs:



To the Paul Meek Library for the easy-to-read map at the front of the library. It is encouraging to see suggestions put into action.

To Dr. John Prados who is steadily developing a reputation of accessibility and exhibition of concern for the problems of the students.

To Billie Ann Pace and others responsible for Parents' Day. We salute them on their attempt to unite UTM and the parents of UTM students.

To the folks who "run" the University Center at night. Their jokes over the Public Address and constant switching of radio stations make it very difficult to get work accomplished.

To the organizations who still persist in leaving old signs on bulletin boards across campus. This week's offenders are the Campus Ministries, the College Republicans and Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

Suggestion: In the interest of students, The Pacer feels it would be advantageous for the Computer Center to post its hours of operation in a prominent, easily-read location.

NEWS

OF HEALTH

Teeth

Tooth decay is actually a disease called dental caries. In fact, it is the most widespread human disease, probably affecting 98 percent of the population.



Caries are produced by colonies of bacteria in the mouth. When we eat, small deposits of food accumulate between the teeth, in the grooves and on the chewing surfaces. Bacterial enzymes acting on food starches and sugars produce lactic acid. This acid dissolves tooth enamel and produces cavities.

But by keeping your teeth smooth and polished, you can reduce the effect of the bacteria. A new home dental-care system, the ToothPro, cleans like a professional dental machine—safely and more effectively than a regular or electric toothbrush.

Water containing minute amounts of fluoride can reduce dental caries—but only in children during the years when their teeth are forming.

it is simply not as staggeringly profitable a business to develop any source other than nuclear power.

With more plants planned and more construction taking place every day, it is obvious that the nuclear industry is moving ahead at a far too rapid rate. The time has not been taken to insure that the utmost safety has been exercised in the execution of any nuclear power development.

The incident at the Three Mile Island facility should stand as a lesson to everyone that we currently do not have sufficient knowledge of the complex nuclear reactions involved, or of the possibilities for error.

The close calls of recent years clearly indicate that nuclear power is clearly not the source of power for the future. Other sources of power must be developed, and soon.

The safety of all Americans must be the main consideration in the development of a power source. In this manner, everyone can have the energy he needs without the fears that nuclear energy bring. For surely, living with the constant threat of a meltdown or seeping radiation is no way to live.

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SGA Dateline

It's that time of the year again. The air is crisp, the leaves are falling and the spirit says that we're right in the middle of Homecoming week.

Today, Thursday, Oct. 25, is one of the busiest days of activities. It's being called the "Fall Niter" and is co-sponsored by SGA, Recreational Sports and the cheerleaders. Here is the

schedule once again: Thursday "Fall Niter" 3:30-Cross country Run. 4:30-Rope Pull Finals. 5:00-Over-the-line softball, 4 person co-rec volleyball. 6:00-Cookout on complex patio (free). 7:00-Pyramid building Contest. 8:00-Bonfire-Pep Rally.

Remember, today is the day for the run-off elections for Homecoming Queen. You will have ten choices, and you

must vote for three. Failure to vote for three will disqualify your ballot. The Homecoming Court will be announced at the bonfire.

Friday, at noon, the Royal Lichtenstein Quarter-Ring Sidewalk Circus will appear in front of the University Center. This is a new event this year and is sponsored by Recreational Sports, SGA and IFC. It promises to be quite

interesting and different.

On Saturday, the parade starts at 10 a.m. It will begin at the PE Complex and precede down University Street toward Lindell Street. There will be an informal barbeque on the University Center Patio open to students and alumni starting at 11:30 a.m. Admission is \$3.50. The ballgame with North Alabama

by David Griggs

will begin at 2 p.m. Parade and display winners will be announced at the game.

Following the game at 8 p.m., SGA will sponsor the biggest Homecoming dance ever at the Oz Disco. Admission will be \$1 and we hope everyone will be there!

Everybody have a good and safe weekend. Until next time!

'Fall-Niter' begins today

UNIVERSITY FORUM

Oaks as example

A modest proposition

Two ancient oak trees - huge and still living - were cut up on the quadrangle by the campus crew during freshman studies week, attacked (no doubt by coincidence) almost before the U-haul bearing our former, tree-defending Chancellor's belongings could have made it up I-40 past Dickson.

A campus official, when I talked to him, explained that both trees were "mature"; that some branches on both tended not to stay fully green at the tips; that the trees might conceivably drop limbs on students, or blow over whole in storms; that tree specialists who doctor them do not come cheap; that younger specimens in their shade would do better when the two were gotten rid of; and that the cut trees assuredly would be "replaced" with new stock. One tree, the official admitted, had "fooled him," since its massive trunk was rock-solid when cut into.

The cutting of "mature" trees (I have not counted the rings, but they are surely from another age) suggests for all of us as a paradigm by which the whole university might well be run (and perhaps already is, or in time shall be) - fostering economy, heading off trouble at the front end, and maintaining a modern landscape and youthful ambience on campus. In case the possibilities inherent in the symbol have escaped any

among those who shape our futures here, let me outline a few necessary next-steps:

1) Dispose of all obviously "mature" professors, well before they reach the "deadwood" stage, not gradually but suddenly, as if by chain saw. Any tinge of gray (the dying on the ends), any failure at successive handspins in class, any absence of psycho-babble, any subjunctive mode or archaic "whom" in speech - any of these is suspect. A "mature" instructor, or his ideas, might fall anywhere, any time. Imagine a class decimated by one.

2) Topple all still-functional buildings that show signs of age. (A splendid example of right action lies in the ripping off of the slightly imperfect tile roof on the Home Economics building this summer. If only the building could have gone, too, to be replaced by a maze-like box, which we could have called "Gooch II.") Our record in this line is already good: The original campus building, erected in 1900 on a spot now safely covered with asphalt and lost to memory, was scheduled for demolition at the time a big fire luckily save the campus wreckers from pulling it down. Undue sentimentality generally does not get in our way here when we are making progress. The tendency now to save certain outmoded architectural

By Neil Graves

remnants of the thirties, quaint and charming though they are, will surely pass.

3) Prune away the humanities (and certain of the arts, sciences, and languages) that too long have been central in curricula. These are a moribund bundle of twigs certainly, trying vainly to crowd out things younger that grow up around like scrub timber. Plant something new in their place - a branch of cosmetology maybe. Or motel management. Or non-sexist modeling. Or embalming.

4) Cut the sassafras. Why was it spared? Certainly this tree at the heart of the quadrangle exhibits the classic signs of maturity, even of the post-climacteric. Give Dr. Prados, or his successor, a chance to choose a fresher specimen, as symbol and logo - maybe something lower, like hibiscus or yucca, or a marigold, or caladium; or dense bermuda (lush underfoot, and no danger to the head if it falls); or maybe a pansy (*Viola bicolor hortensis*). Pacer blue and orange, rampant on a field of pine-needle mulch.

These suggestions are offered modestly and tentatively, and with the conviction that our planners can improve on them, and adapt them to changing times. But the clear imperative at UTM is adherence to the principle of "nipping" maturity in the bud" (so to speak), before it has a chance to do us real harm.

Acting students

The plea resounds, the call has sounded bringing all good citizens to the aid of this campus. Hark! Can you hear it? Can you see the patriot hordes swarming forth,

gallant minutemen pouring through the land, intent only upon sacrificing themselves upon he alter of knowledge, that our campus might continue to flourish?

Foorsooth and of a verity, e'en now our hallowed halls of learning are filled to overflowing with the abundance of these patriotic individuals, or

acting students, whose only desire is to keep the lamp of knowledge lit while providing meaningful employment and a sense of direction for our esteemed professors.

These acting students, while having accounts paying all their scholastic expenses, draw a salary only slightly

above the minimum wage. Clearly, these sturdy individuals must undergo much hardship and privation during the course of their duties.

"Cease from thy rambling, gentle sir, and be more specific," you say. "Be more precise. Your mad cavortings through the English language

serve more to cast a cloud of darkness over your subject than to clarify it in any of its aspects. Exactly what is an acting student?"

Acting student, sweet pup, is the term applied to all those scholars enrolled in the institution for which this

publication is the official paper of who need no degree, yea, who crave no education, but are here out of the most

noble and patriotic of motives, i.e., to keep this university from biting the dust.

Ah, but why should our school crave a mouthful of loam? Dear reader, our school relishes not the taste of soil; rather, due to a significant lack of students, our alma mater is faced with the possibility of having its doors forever closed to those whose minds are possessed of an

intellectual bent unless scholastically inclined babies can be made, reared, and elementarily educated within the next couple or two years.

Is the aforementioned course of action actually a possibility? Although a few department heads agree that such intensive education can be performed, most university officials agree that few two-year-olds are psychologically able to cope with the traumas of college life. Also, with an overabundance of two-year-

old freshmen, the local taverns would be sorely pressed to check their patron's I.D.'s, to any reasonable extent, leaving the community the task of coping with underage drinkers.

The "baby freshman" plan, sad to say, is and must ever remain, in all probability, an impossibility, for there are unnumberable other problems to surmount, such as underage driving and doo-doo in the halls, to name only a couple. Who wants a classroom full of two-year-olds anyway? The university would probably

have to hire a gang of four-year-old professors, which would just lead to other difficulties. Pretty soon we'd all be displaced, both profs and

students. We wouldn't want that to happen, now would we?

By now, gentle reader, I'm sure you've hit on the obvious solution. Verily, verily, verily

let's clone each other! Boy, oh boy, wait till I tell Mom. Hey Dad, I've got my own pet clone! Here, cloney, cloney, cloney! Mr. Grocer, do you

sell cloney litter? Why, we could even have two or three clones apiece, one to fill empty classroom space, one to act in a more servile capacity (clean house, wash dishes, empty

spittoons), and one to make our grades. Degrees would come easy, just show your brightest clone a textbook and sick him on it. We could even clone professors! Hah, hah, hah!

It won't work, dummy. One of our esteemed professors, Dr. Wartleburg, sought for years to produce a workable

clone, only to fail miserably. He cloned a mole, and once he even cloned a polar bear, but the wherewithal for cloning humans has continually

eluded him. When the good doctor sought to clone himself and his duplicate turned out to be a mule, he quit in disgust. Too bad he's an English professor instead of a scientist.

We have but one alternative, and this alternative has already been implemented on

By Barry Warbritton

a fairly large scale and, thus far, quite successfully. Scores of acting students have been hired with their period of employment extending until 20 years after the next major

war, when it is expected that the population of collegeable babies will boom once more. Also, due to the probability of increased college enrollment beginning as soon as the first shots are fired

and extending until the war's termination, there is a clause in all acting student's contracts entitling them to a period of scholastic inactivity with pay during the war-caused influx of students, with active duty to be resumed as soon as is found necessary.

Our university is filled to overflowing with divers and sundry acting officials, so why marvel ye at the notion of acting students? If the collegian rulers can act, then so can the collegians. But we need students, and we need

them quickly, for the university's budget is strained to the point where it grunts in pain each time a new acting student is added to the payroll. We sorely need a baby boom. Let's start a war!

Collections

Passion feeding

Everyone has an interest in some thing (I separate something into two words to emphasize the "some" for indeed some of them are pretty wierd), a something that they think about frequently, talk about even more frequently, and pursue with the utmost frequency.

Whether the interest is in dog breeding or collecting brass spittoons, the goal is the same. People are expressing themselves through their particular mode of infatuation.

I suppose that I express myself through my glassware. I avidly (and sometimes rabidly) collect Depression glass (at this point, you are asking "what's Depression

glass?" much to my chagrin); in fact, I search far and wide through the antique shops and garage sales of Tennessee (and Kentucky and Alabama, too) for the elusive pattern I chose at some point to spend my life acquiring.

Knowing the tremendous and sometimes ridiculous lengths I am willing to go to in pursuit of my particular passion, I can well imagine the similar absurdities that others must go through. It would not surprise me to see collectors scramble through

the rising tides of old-world Venice in order to save not the famous art treasures, but the

By Pamela Allen

beer cans and potentially valuable cigarette packs.

Or perhaps, the bird-watchers of the world suffering the adversities of hunger, cold, and strife to view a molting yak of Siberia (this is purely rhetorical, so please don't write me and tell me that there are no yaks in Siberia - think creatively!).

You, too, may have wonderful stories of the lengths you have gone to in the struggle to gain a greater appreciation (or to gain the physical possession of an item, a pleasure undeniable satisfying) for your own interest. Be embarrassed no longer; come out of your closet, and share these intense moments.

There are others just like you, and there are others more intense than you. Join together, but retain your sense of competition ... it is frustrating to find yourself grappling with another for a piece of glass that once contained cheap bath beads.

Feed your passion, develop your skills in collecting or knowledge of your interest, and enjoy knowing that you can perhaps pass yourself off as an authority on some subject (or just capitalize on the ignorance of other people).

A little knowledge can go a long way on the road to success in the field of your "something."

Tree Freak speaks

Arboreal confessions

... and then he said, "You know, I can't help but notice that lately you appear to be obsessed with trees. To what do you attribute this apparent fixation?"

I pondered his statement before replying, "I can't really blame it on my childhood ... or can I? (pause) I guess it is because a tree is a cosmic apparatus for the transformation of energy."

"Come on now! Speak English," he retorted.

"In other words, kind sir, trees are really neat!"

"Ah!" he sighed, obviously relieved that he "understood"; understood implicitly that I was most definitely wacko.

Having spent the last ten years of my existence in a geographical locale lacking the traditional four seasons, it is with renewed joy and awareness that I observe the advent of autumn in Tennessee.

I grew up in northern Illinois, and during that phase of my development, often being unable to find any redeeming factors whatever in that area, I am certain I never experienced the full impact of the fall "riot" the trees celebrate each year.

People always marvel, "Ah, fall in Wisconsin, absolutely the best!" or "There is nothing quite like autumn in New York!" or "New England's colors are spectacular!" I'd like to add my superlative: "Tennessee trees

are the most!"

Take a country road, by car, on a bike or on foot. Take a mild fall afternoon. Take some deep breaths. Take a good look. And be sure to take your time.

The dogwoods are busy making crimson berries while simultaneously fussing with their leaves. The saucy sassafras suit up in burnt or bright orange, while the sweet gum are ambivalent: What shall it be, deep purple or mellow yellow? The chorus of golden hues also gains support from the stately tulip poplars and the stalwart American elms.

Meanwhile, down by the creek, the sycamores are schizophrenic. Once bossy and overbearing with their large and smooth green leaves, they are now feeble and insignificant with brownish, crinkled remnants dangling from their limbs. They try to finish their business quickly and unobtrusively. (Such show-offs, the others.)

The ash also undress early with little fanfare; but they leave their "tinsel" of countless seeds to adorn their bare branches long after autumn's demise. The hickory trees experiment with greenish-gold tints, try a bit of ochre, and then settle for blah brown; apparently giving up, but not without a cannonade of nuts for a finale.

Perhaps the spectacular blooms of summer were just

too much to bear. F. zled and unkempt, they impatiently await release from their innoimy. Alas, the locusts, also big on flowers and show, not look mortified, as if abruptly shocked out of their foliage by some astounding event.

Finally the cedars and the pines. Who gave them permission to stay verdant all year? Legend has it they received their greenness in perpetuity from the Creator, as a gift. One might argue and say that rather than compete with all the other entrants in the autumn show, these evergreens stand back to observe the color contest with aloof detachment. Or could it be that they are green ... with envy?

Most maples stick close to

By Majorie Kee

town; however, those affield show their stuff in reds and yellows, as quickly and as loudly as their city cousins do. (Look at me! Over here!)

Perhaps the sumac are competing with the black gum to see who can out-red the other. They're certainly not embarrassed as they vibrantly line up along the road's edge.

Lo, the solitary, noble oak, last to surrender to winter's demand, waits so long that he leaves his leaves (or is it she?) to cling on until the bitter end; brown and lonely vestiges of former grandeur.

And what about the locust and the mimosa? Their appearances are a disgrace to the clan. Who else would let themselves go to pot like the mimosa?

A Wanderer

A wanderer of the world, going through masses of People who know your name. They say, "Hello. How are you?" You say, "Fine!" They say, "Good!" You say, "Terrible." They say, "Good!" Do they even listen; do they even care? Do they really care?

A wanderer of society going up and down the stairs of the dorm; to the cafeteria; to classes. Everyone smiles and says, "Hello," but do they really care?

One day this wanderer runs into another person. He cared; He really cared. He told her of some one else who cared even more-The Lord.

Now all I want to say is, "Hello, I really care, and so does He!"

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UTM ROTC Grenadiers...

Drill team sets the pace

By BARRY WARBRITTON
News Editor

The UTM ROTC Grenadiers Drill Team is involved in many activities of a ceremonial nature, according to Cadet First Lieutenant Joel White, drill team commander.

"The drill team participates in activities such as the colorguards for football games and basketball games here at the University, and also colorguards and exhibitions for parades, high school games and things of that nature," White said. "We are the home guard for the

University of Tennessee at Martin."

Once a year the drill team attends the Southern Invitational Drill Meet held at Johnson City, Tennessee, to compete in various contests such as the squad IDR, squad fancy drill, colorguard and the individual IDR knockout.

"The squad fancy drill includes the deathwalk, which is where the CO walks between two lines of people who toss their rifles around him, the Queen Anne salute and marching at death cadence," Mitchell Mote, drill team platoon sergeant, said. "The squad IDR is just dismounted drill with weapons."

"Individual IDR knockout is where they take representatives from different schools and each school can use as many representatives as they wish," White said. "This is where they put all of them out on the drill floor at the same time, and, if they mess-up, they drop them out until it gets down to where there is only one man left. They have a first and second place for that."

Chuck Coleman, last year's drill team CO, brought back last year's second place trophy in the IDR knockout

after competing with about 50 other people.

The future awaiting the drill team holds several activities, according to White.

"In the near future we have mainly colorguards for football games here at the University," he said. "We have had requests from high schools to do colorguards at the ball games they have, we have requests from different schools and counties to do colorguards at parades or on special days like Veteran's Day. Spring Quarter is when we start working on everything and we try to tie down the straight 22-5 drill (right face, about face, etc.) and start working on our fancy-drill before we go to Johnson City."

What are the requirements for drill team membership?

"The main requirement is that you be taking a military science course and that you maintain a 2.0 GPA," White said. "If a person is interested in the drill team all he would have to do is to come see me or Mitchell Mote, who lives in Ellington (White lives in Austin Peay). You could talk to any member of the drill team or you could come out to

the stadium parking lot where we practice on Thursday at 5 p.m. We teach you the things you need to know; you need not have been on a drill team before."

"The drill team has its own pride and joy in doing the things that they do because we pattern ourselves after the Old Guard in Washington, D.C., which is the official guard for the President," White said.

"Our uniforms are almost exactly the same as the uniforms that they wear. We are one of about three units in the United States that wears the dress-blues uniform that the Old Guard wears."

If military splendor and precision is your bag, you might want to try the drill team on for size. It might fit.



Top Ten

The finalists for the UT Martin Homecoming Queen are as follows: (Back row left to right) Kim Pentecost, Deborah Thompson, Andrea Andrews, Rose Boyd, and Tracy Owens. Pictured in the back row from left to right are Debra Nelson, Kim Perry, Deborah Barnes, and Wanda Fayne. Missing from the picture is Diane Amis. Runoffs will be held Thursday, Oct. 25.

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SGA will schedule reduced rate movies

By BILL ROGERS
Editorial Page Editor

The Student Government Association has worked out an arrangement with the management of the Volunteer Twin Cinema to show "midnight movies" at a reduced rate to UTM students, according to Steve Hyers, SGA vice-president.

According to Hyers, Volunteer Twin Cinema manager Gene Williams agreed to let SGA have the theatre at reduced admission rates of \$1.50 for all UTM students.

"Mr. Williams said that we

could have the theatre anytime we felt that a current movie would appeal to the students," Hyers explained.

Hyers said that any SGA-sponsored movie at the Volunteer Twin would be exclusively for UTM students.

"This is something we promised the student body last year and something SGA has been working on," Hyers said. "We want to offer students a chance to see first-run movies that are easy on the pocket-book."

Hyers stated that SGA hopes to begin sponsoring the midnight movies by late November or early December.

Fashion Show sell-out

Parents' Day is a success

By MARCIA PITTS
Assistant News Editor

UTM Parents' Day began Saturday, Oct. 20, at 12:30 with the huge success of the Panhellenic Fashion show, followed by tours of the academic departments, open houses in residence halls, various displays, a water basketball demonstration at the physical education

complex, a Dutch dinner, and a rodeo team presentation behind the football stadium parking lot.

"The Fashion Show was a sell-out," commented Billie Ann Pace, Dean of Women, and chairman of the Parents' Day Program.

The number of parents who attended the event had not been determined at press

time, but according to Pace, there were more parents attending the program than last year.

"I wouldn't even try to make an estimate of the number, but we had an especially good turnout of parents in the Home Economics Department and we also had a good crowd at the water-basketball demonstration," Pace said.

She explained that the Home Ec Club had written the parents of students in that department.

According to Pace, the parents felt good about an opportunity to visit UTM.

"I think the parents liked getting an invitation from the Chancellor to come and see the campus for themselves," she stated.

Appreciation was also extended by Pace for the help and cooperation of the academic departments and the recreational sports department during the Parents' Day activities.

"I particularly would like to thank the Undergraduate Alumnae Council, Alpha Phi Omega, and Gamma Sigma Sigma without whose help we could have not got it together."

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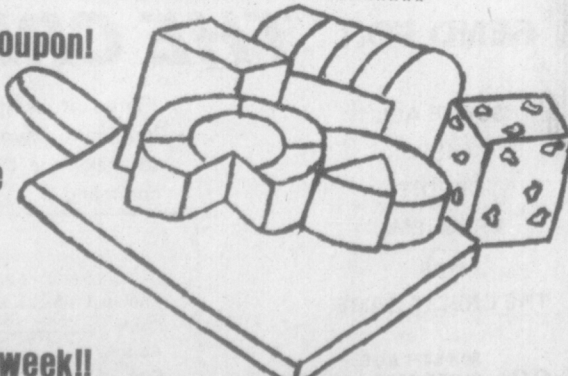
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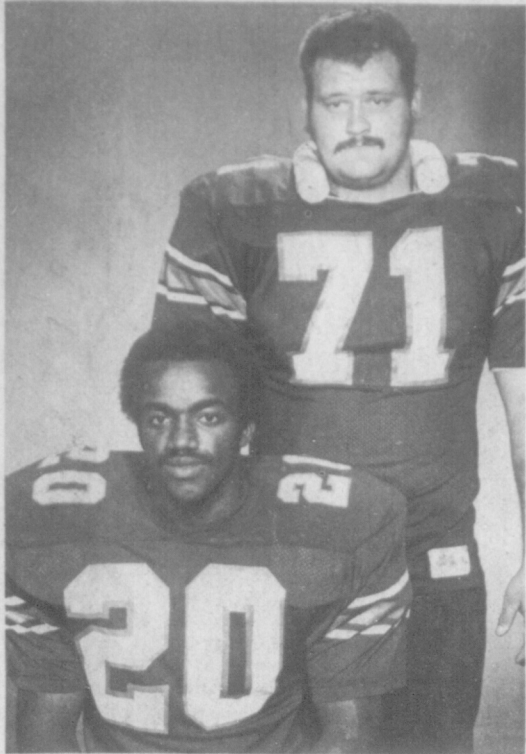
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Players of the Week

Two UT Martin football players received special recognition by Head Coach Vester Newcomb after Saturday's game against Delta State. Sophomore tackle Randy Warren (top right) was named offensive player of the week, while Freddie Hudson, split-end from Hohenwald, was named defensive player of the week.



Volleyball

Tracey Williams, valuable UT Martin volleyball player, falls to her knees after slugging the volleyball with all her might at a recent tournament game.

Homecoming '79

Pacers will wrestle Lions

The University of Tennessee at Martin will be attempting to bounce back from three consecutive defeats when the Pacers host the University of North Alabama Saturday in a 2 p.m. clash. It will be Homecoming for UTM.

UT Martin dropped its opener but then recorded three straight victories before hitting the current losing streak.

Delta State, trailing 27-14 in the fourth quarter, utilized the shot-gun offense to defeat the

Pacers, 28-27, in their last outing. The loss dropped UTM to 3-4 overall and 2-2 in the Gulf South Conference.

"Defensively, we did not play well," remarked Pacer Head Coach Vester Newcomb.

"About three players performed well enough on defense to win. Some of the others gave good effort but didn't accomplish much."

Offensively, we played up to our capabilities. In fact, it was one of our best efforts of the year," he continued.

UNA also felt the sting of defeat last Saturday when league leading Troy State took a 27-14 decision. The Lions are now 5-2 on the season and 2-1 in conference action.

Runningback Lawson Fletcher leads UNA's high-powered offense with 598 yards and 3 tds in 115 carries. The Lions are averaging 325 yards per game in total offense while giving up 201.7.

Quarterback Johnny Grubb, one of the most proficient passers in the GSC, was in-

jured in the Troy game and will be replaced by Rusty Towery, a 6-3, 190 lb. freshman, who has hit 7 of 16 passes for 98 yards and 1 td.

The UNA defense is headed by strong safety Manuel Walker who has picked off four enemy aeriels.

Tailback Everett DeVeaux continues to lead the Pacer offense with 488 yards and 2 touchdowns in 127 attempts. Fullback Bart Dilday is the top scorer with 5 tds, and he has 387 yards on 96 carries.

As a team UTM is averaging 271.4 yards offensively per game while allowing 267.7.

Injuries continue to pose a problem for the Pacers. Tailback Mike Ray (sprained ankle and bone chip) and offensive guard Brian Numera (knee) are out for the year. In some good news, linebacker Mike Chinn, who missed the Delta State game with a neck injury, is expected to play against UNA.

North Alabama and UT Martin have met 19 times, and the Lions lead 10-9. UNA won last year's encounter, 38-17.

Lady Pacers place third in volleyball tournament

UTM's Lady Pacer volleyball team placed third this weekend in the seventh annual UTM Invitational Volleyball Tournament.

The Lady Pacers won matches over Murray State University, Austin Peay State University and Southwest Baptist College to advance to the finals. UTM defeated

Middle Tennessee State University in the consolation match, 15-5, 15-7.

Arkansas State University captured first place in the tournament by defeating Northwest Missouri State, 15-8, 15-9.

The Lady Pacers have won 10 of the last 12 matches and have compiled a 17-17 record thus far.

"The team blended well together," said Lucia Jones, UTM volleyball coach. "They are beginning to think on the court and we were able to execute well."

Jones complimented the play of Tracey Williams who had been out of the playing lineup for four weeks because of an injury.

"Tracey added much offensive and defensive punch to our lineup," said Jones. "She was hitting and blocking stronger than ever before."

Spikers Cindy Boyd and Sandy Buswell were also praised by Jones. Both Boyd and Buswell were elected to the All-Tournament Team.

"Cindy and Sandy came through as strong hitters and strong leaders on the court," said Jones. "They were truly deserving of the All-Tournament honors."

Lady Pacer, Kathy Dennis, a freshman, was voted by her team members as Most Valuable Player.

"Kathy's serves kept us in several ballgames," Jones stated. "She scored 42 points on her serves alone in only four games."

The Lady Pacers will host the Lady Tigers of Memphis State University



Delta State defeats Pacers in squeaker

UT Martin lost an offensive duel to Delta State, 28-27, Saturday night. The Pacers, who lost their opener but then came back to reel off three straight victories, absorbed their third consecutive defeat.

UTM scored first after an exchange of punts with 3:47 remaining in the first quarter when tailback Everett DeVeaux muscled in from six yards out. Mike Poteete added the conversion.

Delta came back to knot the score with 14:05 remaining in the second quarter with a two yard touchdown run by tailback Jody Wood. Kicker Shay Smyth made it 7-7.

A long scoring drive brought the Pacers to the State one-yard-line where fullback Bart Dilday dived over with 27 seconds remaining in the half. Mike Poteete converted again to give UTM a 14-7 halftime margin.

Delta State struck back with 6:47 remaining in the third period when quarterback Tony Bowen hit split-end Des Ball on a 31-yard strike for a quick six points. Shay Smyth again tacked on the p.a.t. to tie the game at 14-14.

UTM regained momentum and marched the ball 58 yards for another touchdown on a 41-yard bomb from quarterback Jimmy Wash to slotback Dwayne McKinney. Poteete was good again on the extra

point. The Pacers scored again in the fourth quarter with 11:26 left. Bart Dilday ran the ball in for his second touchdown of the game increasing UTM's lead to 27-14. Poteete's p.a.t. attempt was blocked.

The Statesmen ate-up yardage on their next possession with quick Bowen passes. Tailback Larry Parker made the drive complete with a 4-yard burst with nine minutes remaining in the game. Smyth recorded another p.a.t. to cut UTM's lead to 27-21.

After the Pacers were unable to move, Bowen again took Delta to the end zone, sneaking in from the one with a 4:50 left on the clock. Smyth again added the conversion, to put the lid on UTM, 28-27.

Larry Parker led Delta State with 45 yards in 16 carries while Bowen hit 12 of 19 passes for 185 yards.

For UTM, it was Bart Dilday with 108 yards in 30 carries while QB Jimmy Wash connected on two of seven passes for 55 yards.

UTM is now 3-4 overall and 2-2 in the Gulf South Conference while Delta is 3-4 overall and 1-3 in league action.

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The season is fall; The game, football

By WALKER PRICE
Student Writer

Fall ... Webster defines it as the season when leaves fall from trees.

Fall to Jimmy Wash has another meaning - football.

The five-foot, nine-inch junior from Nashville is U.T. Martin's first string quarterback.

"This time of the year really psychs me up," says Wash who is dressed in gym shorts and a torn football jersey.

When practice starts for Wash in the late summer his attitude is different than it is now.

"In the summer it's hard to

concentrate on a sport that no one else is into," says Wash, now chipping mud off the bottom of his cleats.

"Once the weather changes and everyone else is fired up for football, that's when I get really motivated to play," says Jimmy with a smile.

Even though the Pacers don't have a winning record Wash is looking for a satisfying season.

"We are 3 and 4 on the year. I hope Homecoming will get us back to a 500 percent mark. A good season means a lot to me and a lot to the university," says Wash as he puts on his socks to get ready for practice.

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Deltas seek service

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority is working on bringing better bus service to Martin. The president and vice president and area manager of Continental Trailways has been contacted in regards to the service here.

Delta Sigma Theta needs the support of the students at UTM for results. Anyone with complaints is urged to write a letter addressed to Mr. Gengiz Nazim, the area manager of Continental Trailways. Send this letter to:

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These letters will be forwarded to Mr. Nazim. Theta hopes to get a bus

terminal set up right here on campus.

GROK Club

By JOEY BYERS
Student Writer

GROK, the science fiction book club, is once again active on the UTM campus.

The club, now starting its third year at UTM, has as one of its main goals the donation of quality books to the Paul Meek Library.

GROK's activities include book sales and trades, movies, light shows and discussion groups.

Anyone who is interested in science fiction and wishes to join GROK may contact Jane Jacobsin, president of the club, at 6044.

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"We've almost had a couple of children hit and want students to be aware of them and stop when a bus stops because we don't want any kids hit. We don't like issuing citations but neither do we want anyone hit. The problem is getting harder; we haven't issued a citation in three or four days," said Martin Police Chief Emerson Gardner.

"I don't think students here know that they are supposed to stop behind a stopped school bus. I have three children riding that bus and don't want them or any other kids to get hit. It's a community problem and I want to see it get better," said Mary Irvine, UTM student and mother.

He does not drink or smoke, but...

Gerni puts balls in pocket

By SHARON CROWELL
Student Writer

Paul Gerni, billiards expert and World Trick Shot Champion, performed Tuesday, Oct. 23 in the University Center.

Gerni's exhibition was a combination of expertise and showmanship.

He sank three balls in one shot in the same pocket, in three different pockets, and in sequence. He sank 12 balls in one stroke, and six balls in different pockets in one stroke.

During his show, between shots, Gerni kept the audience

laughing with quips about himself, the game and the audience.

Many of the laughs were from jokes he made in response to audience remarks. And the remarks were plentiful, since many of the students seemed unable to believe their eyes.

Gerni comes across as a likeable man who enjoys what he is doing and also enjoys relating to his audience.

Son of a Lutheran minister, Gerni was first introduced to billiards at the age of six in the gameroom of a church parish.

"There was an old man

smoking a cigar who was playing," Gerni said. "He had to lift me up to the table to make my shot."

A year later, he won his first tournament at a YMCA and he's been winning ever since. Just 10 days ago, he successfully defended his title of World Trick Shot Champion in Sweden.

When he is not competing, Gerni tours all over the United States and in 12 foreign countries such as Norway, Germany and Saudi Arabia. His favorite audiences, however, are college audiences.

"I like college students. The nicest people in the world are college students. I get good vibes from college audiences," Gerni said.

Gerni enjoys the game of billiards so much that he has dedicated his career to promoting it. He wants to give it an image of which to be proud.

"The media has helped promote me. I don't drink, smoke or swear. We're trying to give pool a new image," Gerni said.

Gerni does more than 200 shows a year to try and project that new image. He does shows at colleges and universities, conventions, shopping malls, banquets and foreign embassies. His show is entertaining and lively even though he usually does two shows a day on tour. He explained some of the difficulties of consistently making shots on different pool tables.

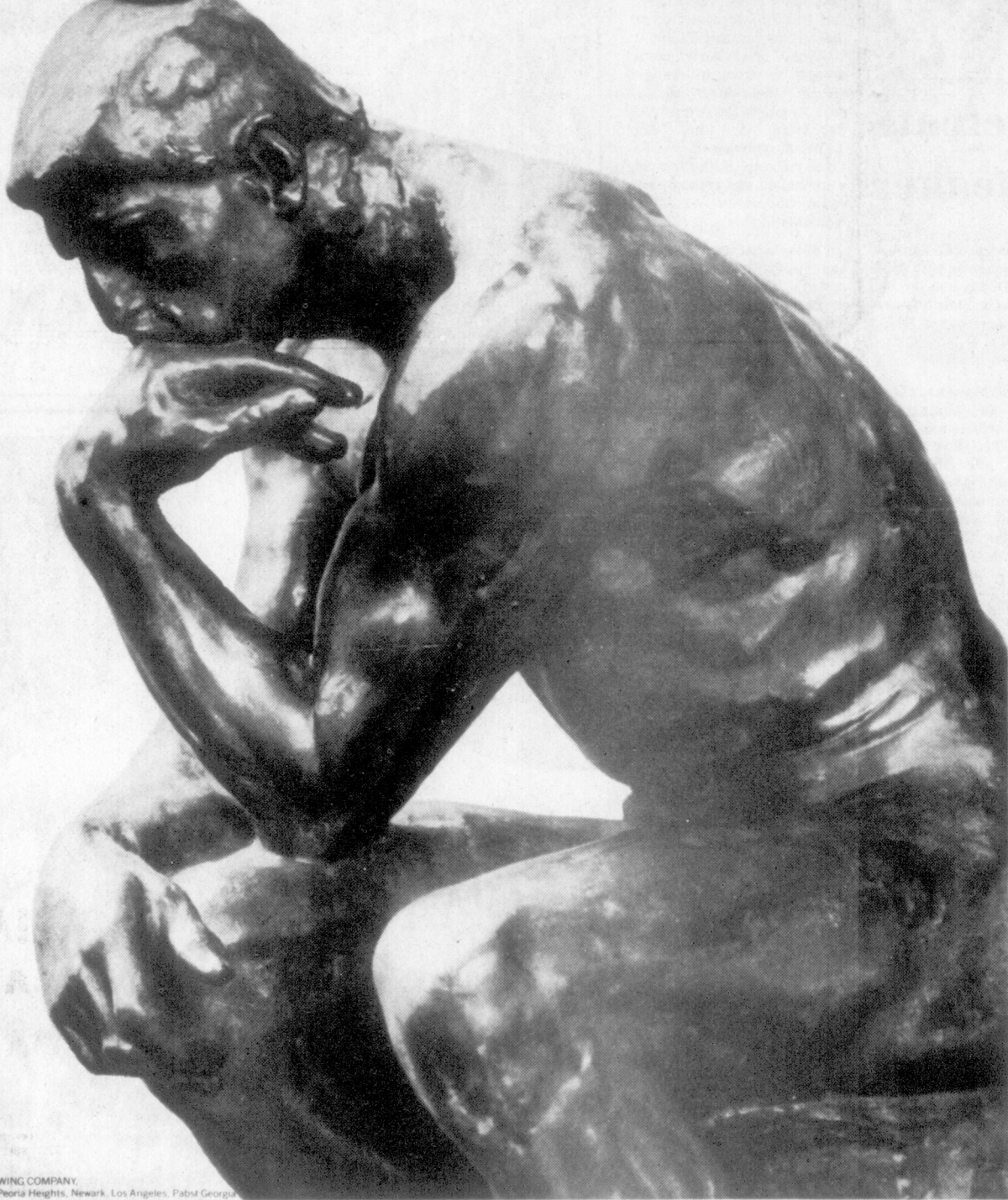
"There are 22 grades of cloth that are used and nine kinds of rails."



Billiard Buff

Paul Gerni, World Trick Shot Champion of the billiard world, prepares to exercise his talent for the aesthetic enjoyment of the students of UTM.

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Congress convenes; bravely faces issues

By BARRY WARBRITTON
News Editor

At 6:00 p.m. on Monday the SGA Congress met to discuss several issues and elect a speaker, Cindy Fairless.

Steve Hyers, SGA vice-president, said that there will be a speaker's committee meeting on Nov. 8 to recommend various public figures to speak on a variety of subjects.

Another task confronting Congress is that of getting highway signs erected pointing the way to Martin at such places as the Huntingdon exit on I-40 and in Jackson, that those who seek UTM may the more easily find it.

Tina Hall, secretary of affairs, said that the Congress has power and gave examples as to how it should use this power such as enacting laws and adding them to the University's constitution; approving their own budget, censorship or expulsion of a member and coordinating social policy with the administration.

The Congress also considered projects designed to extend the pass-fail system of grading to other curriculum besides P.E., improving the quality of the infirmary and turning the UT Bone into a deli.

The Congress decided to hold all its regular meetings at 6 p.m. on Monday.

Balloon sale

The Home Economics Club will be selling helium-filled balloons Homecoming, October 27.

The balloons will be sold during the parade and just before the game.

To boost Pacer spirit, the balloons will be released at kick-off.

Price for the balloons will be 35 cents each or 3 for \$1.

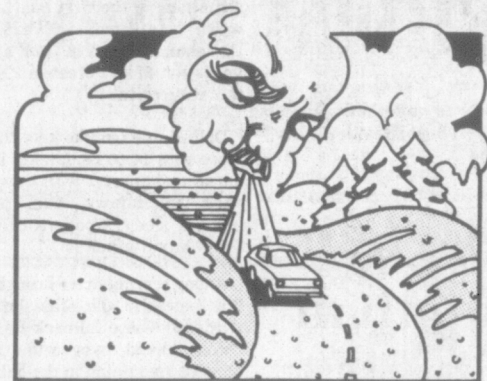
Dancers chosen

Twelve students were chosen Monday, Oct. 22 as new members of the UTM Contemporary Dance Group.

The new initiates were chosen by the previous members and officers of the group.

The new members are Rose Araujo, Flavia Burton, LaDonna Daugherty, Lori Fienup, Jennifer Guthrie, Anthony Harwell, Louise Holt, Pam Kelly, Nizzi Maristani, Shirley Martin, Milla Novak and Stacey Whitt.

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